

Puget Sound TRT
NWFSC Seattle – Room 366W
Thursday, May 27, 2004

TRT Attendees: Ken Currens, Bob Fuerstenberg, Bill Graeber, Kit Rawson, and Mary Ruckelshaus

Other Attendees: Elizabeth Babcock, Denise Krownbell, Carol MacIlroy, Scott Redman, and J.J. Westfall

Documents in process: the TRT would like to get drafts of Hood Canal, and Ozette Pop ID and Viability documents out by the end of June. Bill will send Ken ecoregional information and Ken will get a draft of the Hood Canal summer chum document out by June 18. The TRT will return comments to him by July 2. Mary will talk with Norma to see if the Viability part of the summer chum can be on the same schedule. Bill will send out a draft of the description of geographic regions for Hood Canal summer chum by June 11.

Viability Paper: Kit presents a draft document titled, “Combining demographic and habitat-based approaches to triangulation on viability criteria for Puget Sound Chinook salmon populations.” Kit will look into the Nooksack numbers; Mary will forward Kerry’s email regarding barrier assumptions used for the data to Kit who will forward it to Greg Blair so that the assumptions used in calculating capacities in HPVA can be compared with those used in calculating potential capacity. The TRT needs to send comments to Kit by June 14. He is especially interested in comments on the introduction, discussion, and references. Bob will send Kit and Ken references on habitat viability analyses. The TRT will send comments on the draft version of the EDT methods document to Kit by June 3. Mary will get Kit missing potential capacity data. Kit will check Shared Strategy planning ranges to make sure they fit within the TRT ranges. This paper will be discussed again at the June 15 TRT meeting.

Diversity and Spatial Structure metrics: The TRT discusses how diversity and spatial structure will be considered with the rest of the watershed plan review processes. Bill and Kurt will look into what is a workable schedule and discuss it with the TRT during the June meeting; they will also bring an example. After the August meeting, the TRT will have a sense of which watershed groups need guidance first.

Plan reviews the summer: The TRT decides to schedule a two-hour TRT meeting on June 2 from 1:00 – 3:00 to discuss limiting factors or factors for decline and how to roll things up for viability.

Adjunct reviewers need: updated review template and the Watershed Guidance Document. Bill notes questions about uncertainty from the Watershed Technical Guidance document and the SHARP document would be good to give them. Mary will compare her template with the Columbia River template; she will also make sure the questions in table 1 of the Watershed Guidance Document are pulled out and nested within the existing template questions.